

the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. MALONEY). We have had our differences over the past 2 years with the Census issue, but this is one time we are now coming together, as we are so close to our decennial census, which has just about 6 months to go.

Our goal is common: We want to have the most accurate count, and count everybody living in this great country as of April 1 of the year 2000.

Tonight I rise to discuss an important program of the Census Bureau. That is a bipartisan congressional partnership with the Bureau to promote the participation in the 2000 decennial census. It is just 6 months away, and the Bureau will undertake the largest peacetime mobilization in the Nation's history, conducting the 2000 Census.

This massive undertaking deserves our support at the local level. The key to ensuring a successful census that counts everyone in America is outreach and promotion in every neighborhood. Broad-based participation in the Census must start from within our communities. The Census Bureau must use every effort possible to promote participation in the Census. While the Census Bureau does this in several ways, I am here to talk about one of the more important ways I feel the Census Bureau promotes the Census, and those are the partnerships.

The Census Bureau is in the process of forming partnerships with hundreds and thousands of groups, organizations, and individuals from all sectors of the population and all sizes, ranging from Goodwill Industries to local places of worship. It is only fitting and proper that Congress join with these groups across the Nation by partnering with the Census Bureau, and that is why I am speaking here this evening.

This proposed partnership with Members of the House of Representatives seems to me to be one of the most logical partnerships of all. These partnership programs are designed to utilize the resources and knowledge of the local partners, and who knows better the local area and the problems the Bureau may face than Members who serve those districts?

Moreover, there are 435 Members in this House who worked tirelessly for our districts, and most of us go home every weekend to work very hard for the people who elected us as their representatives. We know what it will take to have a successful Census in our districts, and what better way to serve these very people than promoting the Census and helping them get the most accurate count possible?

After all, the decennial census distributes over \$180 billion in Federal funds annually. The Census tells us where schools, roads, and lunch programs are most needed. We as representatives owe it to our constituents to make sure they receive the services they need. The best way to do this is

through promoting participation in our districts. This is not a Republican issue or a Democratic issue, this is an American issue.

Tomorrow we will be celebrating the kickoff of this vitally important partnership. The gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. MALONEY) and her staff have been working very hard to make this partnership between the Bureau and the House of Representatives a success.

Tomorrow, Director Kenneth Prewitt will be holding a briefing for Members only to explain this partnership program and answer any questions they have. I urge all of my colleagues to attend the briefing tomorrow to learn more about this partnership program and how Members can get involved in their own districts.

I think Members will find the Bureau has put together a comprehensive set of activities that Members can easily take back to their districts to increase public participation. Following the briefing, we will hold a press conference to unveil House Concurrent Resolution 193, a resolution that affirms a partnership between the Census Bureau and the House of Representatives. House Concurrent Resolution 193 recognizes the importance of achieving a successful census, encouraging groups to continue to work towards a successful census, reaffirms our spirit of cooperation with the Census Bureau, and asserts a public partnership between Congress and the Bureau of the Census.

While we may have had our differences in the past, the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. MALONEY) and I have joined forces to introduce this legislation, which merits broad-based bipartisan support. The decennial census is a cornerstone of our democracy, and it is vital that all Members of Congress, Democrats and Republicans alike, publicly support activities to enhance public participation.

I encourage my colleagues to cosponsor House Concurrent Resolution 193 and to bolster congressional presence during tomorrow's activities.

#### REVISIONS TO ALLOCATION FOR HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, PURSUANT TO HOUSE REPORT 106-288, TO REFLECT ADDITIONAL NEW BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAYS FOR EMERGENCIES

The Speaker pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. KASICH) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. KASICH. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Sec. 314 of the Congressional Budget Act, I hereby submit for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD revisions to the allocation for the House Committee on Appropriations pursuant to House Report 106-288 to reflect \$7,200,000,000 in additional new budget au-

thority and \$4,817,000,000 in additional outlays for emergencies. This will increase the allocation to the House Committee on Appropriations to \$561,834,000,000 in budget authority and \$597,532,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2000. This will increase the aggregate total to \$1,452,283,000,000 in budget authority and \$1,434,669,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2000.

As reported to the House, H.R. 2561, the conference report accompanying the bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2000, includes \$7,200,000,000 in budget authority and \$4,817,000,000 in outlays for emergencies.

These adjustments shall apply while the legislation is under consideration and shall take effect upon final enactment of the legislation. Questions may be directed to Art Sauer or Jim Bates at x6-7270.

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Mr. Speaker, pursuant to sec. 314 of the Congressional Budget Act, I hereby submit for printing in the Congressional Record revisions to the allocation for the House Committee on Appropriations pursuant to House Report 106-288 to reflect \$2,310,000,000 in additional new budget authority and \$1,591,000,000 in additional outlays for emergencies. The bill also includes \$405,000,000 in additional budget authority and \$352,000,000 in additional outlays in continuing disabilities reviews, as well as \$20,000,000 in additional budget authority and \$12,000,000 in additional outlays for adoption incentive payments. This will increase the allocation to the House Committee on Appropriations to \$554,634,000,000 in budget authority and \$592,715,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2000. This will increase the aggregate total to \$1,445,083,000,000 in budget authority and \$1,429,852,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2000.

As reported to the House, H.R. 3037, the bill making appropriations for Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies for fiscal year 2000, includes \$2,310,000,000 in budget authority and \$1,591,000,000 in outlays for emergencies. The bill also includes \$405,000,000 in budget authority and \$352,000,000 in outlays in continuing disabilities reviews, as well as \$20,000,000 in budget authority and \$12,000,000 in outlays for adoption incentive payments.

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#### THE CONTINUING IMPACT OF HURRICANE FLOYD

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Mrs. CLAYTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. CLAYTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise again to remind my colleagues that the impact of Hurricane Floyd continues to affect the people of North Carolina and